

# BARRHILL NEWS

Barrhill Community Interest Company & Barrhill Development Trust

SUMMER 2021

## THE HALL IS OPEN!

We are delighted to announce the Memorial Hall is now open for events. Booking forms available via the BCIC and BDT websites at [www.bcic.org.uk](http://www.bcic.org.uk) & [www.barrhilldevtrust.org](http://www.barrhilldevtrust.org). Your attention is drawn to the Hall's Risk Assessment which should be read and fully understood prior to booking.

We know it has been frustrating that it has not been possible to open until now, but hope that you understand with the ever-changing situation with Covid19, caution was seen as the best policy.

For enquiries about the Memorial Hall, please contact Pat O'Connor (Caretaker) on 07387 759052, or use the contact form on either of the websites.

## THE TROUT INN

This is not so much an update, as a reminder of where we are with the pub. As previously advised, we have appointed builders to carry out the agreed alterations to the Trout. As you may (or may not) be aware because of a combination of reasons work has yet to start, although the pub has been cleared. These reasons include the builders catching up with existing projects delayed by Covid19 and also the on-going shortage of materials. Once the builders are in a position to commence work we shall of course let you know. In addition, once we have an anticipated time frame for completion we will be advertising again for the role(s) of managing the pub. It is obviously disappointing that we are not in a position to give any dates, as yet, for the pub to be finalised but hope you will understand the current difficulties that prevent us from doing so.

*Richard Brown - Vice-Chairman*

## Welcome to the Board

Please join us in welcoming Liz Ottaway and Collette Bailey as newly appointed co-opted Directors to the BCIC & BDT Boards. We thank you for volunteering for this important role.

## Our grateful thanks

On behalf of the Board and community we would like to take this opportunity to express our gratitude to Louise Ottaway for her service and commitment as Hall Caretaker. A new chapter awaits - every best wish for your continued success.

## New Hall Caretaker

The Board welcomes Pat O'Connor to the team! Taking over from Louise Ottaway as Hall Caretaker, please contact Pat on 07387 759052, or use the contact form on either the BCIC or BDT websites.

## IT'S PICNIC TIME IN BARRHILL

Have you used the new picnic benches yet? Four eight-seater tables were purchased on behalf of the village recently to make summer just a little bit more comfortable. Good news! A further two more benches will be sited near the bridge very soon. Please let any visitors you meet in Barrhill know they are more than welcome to stop a while and use them - we're a welcoming lot here!

### THE BOARD

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### LARGE GRANT FUNDING

The BCIC will consider applications for large grant funding (over £500). Contact a Board Director for details and discussion prior to submitting a completed Application Form.

### SMALL GRANT FUNDING

The Small Grant Fund (£500 or less) gives groups or individuals a chance to apply for a grant to help fund projects that aim to improve our village and the lives of its residents. We will support a range of educational, environmental and general community amenity projects. You can apply if you are a not for profit/voluntary or community group or organisation.

### MINIBUS HIRE

If you are a group or organisation within Barrhill, you are entitled to free minibus hire including fuel and driver, once per calendar year.

### EDUCATIONAL BURSARY

If you are considering any form of study then consider applying for a BCIC Educational Bursary, covering all types of education from one-day courses to university degree study.

### GARDEN MAINTENANCE

If you are over the age of 65, have a health condition which means you cannot cut your own grass or hedges and do not live with someone who can help, then you may be eligible to apply for grass and/or hedge cutting from April to September, every two weeks free of charge.

### WINTER FUEL PAYMENT

You may be eligible to apply for the annual Barrhill Winter Fuel Payment scheme.

### DRIVING TEST GRANT

A grant of £150.00 is available to include any type of driving test i.e. car, trailer, HGV or motorbike. Available to permanent residents of Barrhill who have lived in the village for a period of 12 months or more.

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPLY**

**[HTTPS://BCIC.ORG.UK/FORMS.PHP](https://bcic.org.uk/forms.php)**

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